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SUBJ: CENSURE MOTION DEFEATED

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1. THE DEMIREL GOVERNMENT JULY 7 HANDILY DEFEATED BY A VOTE OF 227 TO 190 A CENSURE MOTION INTRODUCED BY THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY (DP) AND SUPPORTED BY THE REPUBLICAN PEOPLE'S PARTY (RPP). ALTHOUGH THE VOTE WAS FOREORDAINED (16 RPP DEPUTIES DID NOT ATTEND), THE RESULT AGAIN DEMONSTRATED THAT DEMIREL (1) RETAINS THE SUPPORT OF HIS COALITION PARTNERS AND MOST INDEPENDENTS AND (2) IS ABLE TO CONTROL AND ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF THE PLENARY (226 VOTES) EVEN WITH NUMEROUS ABSENCES.

2. THE JUSTICE PARTY (JP) JOINT PARLIAMENTARY GROUP DECIDED TO ATTEND TODAY'S (JULY 8) SESSION IN FULL STRENGTH IN WHAT WILL POSSIBLY BE THE LAST MAJOR ATTEMPT TO LEGISLATE THE REESTABLISHMENT OF STATE SECURITY COURTS. ACCORDING TO VARIOUS NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS, DEMIREL RETAINED

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THE SUPPORT OF THE INDEPENDENTS IN YESTERDAY'S CENSURE

VOTE PLEDGING TO SUPPORT EFFORTS TO INCLUDE WITHIN THE COURT'S MANDATE ANTI-SECULAR ACTIVITIES AS WELL AS COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES. IF TRUE, THIS WOULD INDICATE A CHANGE IN DEMIREL'S PREVIOUS POLICY (REFTEL).

3. REGARDLESS OF OUTCOME OF TODAY'S SESSION, PARLIAMENT WILL PROBABLY RECESS WITHIN NEXT TWO WEEKS. IF IT DOES SO WITHOUT ACTING ON THE SECURITY COURT LEGISLATION, HOWEVER, PRIME MINISTER DEMIREL HAS THREATENED TO CALL A SPECIAL SESSION DURING THE SUMMER.
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